#### **QUESTIONS**

- 1. The SF 1442, Item 13B requires and "offer Guarantee". Does the completion of the second page of the SF-1442 entitled "OFFER" fulfill this requirement?
- 2. Exhibit F outline under "Binder1, Volume 1" refers to "Representations and Certifications-Section 0600". Is it correct to rely on Section 00100, Paragraph 3.1 to fulfill this requirement?
- 3. As a follow-up to question 2 above; If under 52.204-8 b(2)(i), paragraph d applies, will it be acceptable to include pages 51-55 of the Solicitation and check box d and sign and date page 55?
- 4. SF-1442 requests that Offers be submitted in original and five, (5), copies. Exhibit F requires submittal of one original and one copy of Binder 1, Volume 1 and one original and four, (4), copies of Binder 2 and does not note electronic copies at all. Please clarify this requirement.
- 5. The Solicitation mentions the Infection Control Manual for the VAMC Wilmington, but does not note where this document is posted or made available for review. Please provide information regarding access to this information.
- 6. Will the Amendments that were issued during the initial bid process for the Canteen Kitchen project be re-issued for this solicitation? For example, eliminating the three (3) phases documented on the drawings and going with only one (1).

### **ANSWERS**

## #1 Section 00800

## SCR23. BID BONDS

23.1 Unless otherwise stated in the Notice of Proposed Task Order Request for Proposal, Bid Bonds are not required.

# SCR24. PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS AND ALTERNATIVE PAYMENT PROTECTIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

- 24.1 Performance and payment bonds shall be required, and the penal sum established, by each Task Order.
- 24.2 Payment Bond: (a) If an individual Task Order is priced at \$150,000 or greater, penal sum shall be one-hundred percent (100%) of order price.
- 24.3 Performance Bond: The penal sum of each Performance Bond shall equal one hundred percent (100%) of the price of each Task Order exceeding \$150,000 placed hereunder.

- 24.4 In lieu of Payment and Performance Bonds, contractor may provide other bond substitutes in accordance with FAR 52.228-14 Irrevocable Letter of Credit (DEC 1999).
- 24.5 Bonds and other payment protections shall be provided within 10 calendar days of award of a Task Order. Notice to Proceed will not be issued until the Contractor provides sufficient bonding to cover the work being performed.

### #2 and #3 Section 00110

- 2.1.1 Representations and Certifications and Other Statements of Offerors Section 00600-include in your proposal only the Representations and Certifications contained in Section 00600 of this solicitation. All other required representation and certifications are to be completed online in "ORCA" at <a href="http://orca.bpn.gov">http://orca.bpn.gov</a>.
- 2.1.4.1 All potential offerors are required to register in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR), <a href="http://www.ccr.gov">http://www.ccr.gov</a>, in order to complete the annual Representations and Certifications found at the ORCA website. The ORCA site contains an ORCA Application Handbook and an ORCA Quick Reference Guide. To access them, simply click on the "Help" link at the top of the ORCA homepage. Ensure your Central Contractor Registration (CCR) information is up-to-date. Complete annual Representations and Certifications on line at <a href="http://orca.bpn.gov">http://orca.bpn.gov</a> if you have not already done so. You are <a href="mot">not</a> required to provide a copy of the Representations and Certifications completed in ORCA with your written proposal. <a href="mot">Do</a> include any Representations and Certifications and other statements of offerors contained in Section 00600 of this solicitation, which are in addition to the annual certifications on ORCA. In addition, all offerors must be registered in the Department of Veterans Affairs Vetbiz database. Register at <a href="www.vip.vetbiz.gov">www.vip.vetbiz.gov</a> to be eligible to submit a proposal and shall be verified prior to award.

## #4 Section 00110

- **1.5 PROPOSAL CONTENT**: Prospective offerors shall submit the proposal in two separate binders.
- 1.5.1 **Binder # 1 includes Volume 1:** Price proposal, pro forma documents in original and four (4) copies, and Exhibits E, E-1 and E-2 in accordance with instruction contained herein.
- 1.5.2 Binder # 2 contains Volume 2, Past Performance information and Volume 3 Technical information proposals in original and four (4) copies.
- 1.5.3 Offerors shall also submit Volumes 1,2, and 3 in their entirety in electronic format (Provide on CD).

### #5 ICRA

See attached PDF document titled ICRA.

Only the drawings and specifications contained in this solicitation will be used.